Call for Submissions: Bjoring Center Research Fellowship

The Bjoring Center for Nursing Historical Inquiry invites applications for its annual fellowship. This fellowship enables scholars to pursue research in the archival collections of the Bjoring Center for Nursing Historical Inquiry, as well as other archival collections at the University of Virginia. The fellowship was created to mark the 30th anniversary of the Bjoring Center, which was established in 1992 at the University of Virginia School of Nursing.

The Bjoring Center Research Fellowship is intended to support scholarly work on the history of nursing and health care that makes use of the research collections at the Bjoring Center and the University of Virginia. It provides up to \$3,000 of support to doctoral students, faculty, and independent researchers from all disciplines, based on evidence of preparation and/or **productivity** in historical research related to the history of nursing and health care.

This award is payable to the individual applicant and is taxable income. It is recommended that recipients discuss their reporting obligations with their tax advisors.

Application materials should explain the research project's focus, methodology, engagement with existing scholarship, and the intended product, as well as the Bjoring Center and University of Virginia archival collection(s) to be used.

The deadline for proposals is January 15, 2026, with the intention that the funds be used during the 2026 calendar year. Notice of award will be in early February 2026.

Eligibility: Doctoral students, faculty, and independent researchers from all disciplines, based on evidence of preparation and/or productivity in historical research related to nursing and health care.

Applicants must provide a full research proposal, including:

- A project abstract (maximum length: 150 words)
- Project description indicating the scope of your research, the existing scholarship with which you engage, and how it will advance scholarship in the history of nursing and health care (maximum length: 1,000 words)
- Summary of the Bjoring Center and University of Virginia archival research materials that you plan to use and how they are relevant to your project (maximum length: 500 words)
- o An itemized budget detailing how the funds will be used
- A current CV

Send proposals and supporting materials to: Dominique Tobbell, PhD, Director of the Bjoring Center for Nursing Historical Inquiry at the University of Virginia, at dtobbell@virginia.edu.

The recipient must agree to submit a research report within a year of receiving the project funds.